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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Quandahl.

SENATOR QUANDAH: Question.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question before the body is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. We're voting on ceasing debate. Have you all voted who care to? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 4 nays, to cease debate.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate ceases. Senator Brashear, you're recognized to close on your motion to bracket until April 19.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, I'd request a call of the house while I'm closing, please.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: There's been a request to place the house under call. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, to place the house under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The house is under call. All members please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Senator Brashear, I'll let you continue.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. Thank you, everyone, for your participation in what I think has been a very meaningful debate about a very important subject. This is...in my view, this is not about business. To me, we'll have an opportunity to talk about how we treat business and other elements of the private sector in other bills that are to come before us. What this bracket motion is about is trying to...we've had this little moment in our history where we've talked about whether we will or we won't, whether we should or we shouldn't. And I respectfully submit that when we look back over the last millennium and we see how sparse and sporadic our performance was until we got to the 1990 decade,